

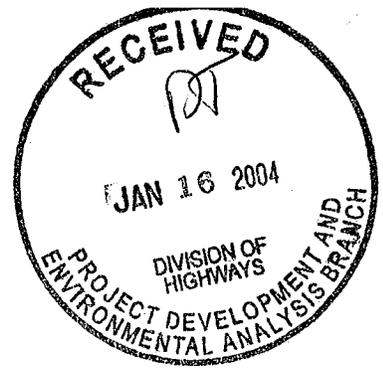


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January 14, 2004

IN REPLY REFER TO



Regulatory Division

SUBJECT: Action ID 200221216; TIP No. U-2524B

Dr. Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Thorpe:

Reference the Department of the Army permit issued on June 30, 2003, for the discharge of fill material into waters of the United States, for construction of Sections BA and BB of the Greensboro Western Urban Loop (T.I.P. No. U-2524B), impacting Long Branch, Horsepen Creek and unnamed tributaries, and an unnamed tributary of the East Fork Deep River, and adjacent wetlands, from south of I-40, to north of Bryan Boulevard, on the west side of Greensboro, in Guilford County, North Carolina.

Reference also your December 22, 2003 letter requesting modification of Special Condition e. of the subject permit, which requires that site preparation activities at the Spring Valley Park Mitigation Site, except for planting, be completed by December 31, 2003. The Department of Transportation (NCDOT) could not complete all of the construction and planting of the site within the required timeframe because of adverse weather conditions. NCDOT is continuing with the construction and planting, and expects to complete all activities at the site, including buffer plantings, by January 23, 2004.

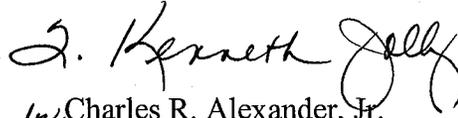
We have reviewed your request and have determined that the time extension would not have an adverse effect on the success or functioning of the site, and that an additional public notice is not necessary. Therefore, the permit is hereby modified to replace Special Condition e. as follows:

e. The permittee shall complete all site preparation activities at the Spring Valley Park Mitigation Site, except for planting, before January 31, 2004. The permittee shall complete planting before March 15, 2004.

It is understood that all other conditions of the permit, including the permit expiration date, remain applicable.

Should you have questions, contact Mr. Eric Alsmeyer of my Raleigh Field Office regulatory staff at telephone (919) 876-8441, extension 23.

Sincerely,


for Charles R. Alexander, Jr.
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